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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Preliminary Amendment: SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS

In Paragraph [0022], please amend the paragraph as follows:

[0022] The above goals, characteristics, and advantages, and still others, are better understood from the description that follows and the attached drawings ~~in which~~.

In Paragraphs [0031] to [0033], please amend the paragraphs as follows:

[0031] Figure 9 is a longitudinal sectional view along the line 9-9 of Figure 8.

[0032] Figure 10 is a perspective view showing the positioning of the pair of extracting clamps of the instrument around the shaft of the prosthetic element that is affixed in a dental root.

[0033] Figure 11 is a ~~detail~~ detailed elevational view, showing the working end of the instrument, engaged between the top of the root and the intrados of the prosthetic element.

In Paragraph [0035], please amend the paragraph as follows:

[0035] Figure 13 is a detailed elevational view similar to Figure 11, showing the extraction of the prosthetic element.

In Paragraph [0038], please amend the paragraph as follows:

[0038] Figure 16 is a ~~plane~~ top plan view of Figure 14.